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H. RES. 42

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a postage stamp should be issued honoring American farm women.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 29, 2003

Mr. Green of Wisconsin (for himself, Ms. Hooley of Oregon, and Mr. Kleczka) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas American farm women have for centuries been critical to the survival of the family farm;
- Whereas in 1862 the newly formed Department of Agriculture released a study showing that on 3 out of 4 farms the wife "works harder" and "endures more, than any other on the place";
- Whereas American farm women played an important role in the United States victories in the World Wars, when they and their families took on even greater responsibilities on the farms, maintaining the food and fiber needs of our

country as millions of men left the farms to fight in the wars;

Whereas women have been actively involved in critical farm decisions, such as the buying and selling of land and farm equipment, estate planning, and developing new production practices; and

Whereas American farm women play an integral role in farm tasks, such as tending to animals, field work, bookkeeping, and raising children: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-2 resentatives that—

3 (1) the United States Postal Service should 4 issue a postage stamp honoring American farm 5 women; and

(2) the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should recommend to the Postmaster General that such a stamp be issued.

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